

MOORE BOLISH FUEL MARKET

City Officials Find Historic
Trading Quarter Is Run
at a Loss.

BUILT 91 YEARS AGO
Succeeded Old V'lei Market
Where Early Dutch Settlers
Bartered.

After its life of ninety-one years, Controller Prendergast and Borough President McAnany, of Manhattan, to-day will concur in recommending to John Furroy Mitchell, president of the Board of Aldermen, that Fulton Market, one of the city's historic landmarks, be abolished. It has lived its life, the municipal officials have determined, and better use of the site it occupies may be made.

Few spots on Manhattan Island have been more widely talked about, and the famous Fulton Market has become a standard term with fish trade. The market itself supplied fish to practically all the island cities east of the Mississippi. The quaint little trading place, occupying the square block bounded by Fulton, South, Beekman and Front streets, drew its supplies from the salt waters of the Atlantic all the way from the St. Lawrence River to the western shores of Florida.

Followed Ancient "V'lei Market." The famous old market, about to pass before the march of progress, was the offspring of the old Dutch custom of carrying on trade at a single central point. On a site a short distance south of where the present Fulton Market stands, Dutch inhabitants of New Amsterdam in 1699 were purchasing their food supplies from merchants who transacted in "V'lei Market."

"V'lei" is the Dutch word for valley, and that section of the city then was considered a valley. As years went by the already famous trading place lost its original title and became known as Valley Market. It was close to what now is Maiden Lane, and the site grew and with the expansion developed the need for greater market space. The site ultimately was transferred to Fulton slip. There was no Brooklyn Bridge then and it was necessary to have the new market located at a point easy of access to the farmers who came across Fulton ferry from points on Long Island with loads of produce.

Likewise the Fulton slip afforded a more convenient landing place for the schooners and other craft that made up the fleets of fishermen who went out to sea and brought back the loads of fish for use here and for export to other cities.

FISH DEALERS TAKE POSSESSION. The fishing trade ultimately overcame the business in other footstuffs conducted at the market, and finally the expansion of this branch became so great that the market was given over practically exclusively to the fish dealers.

Chapter 75 of the Laws of 1817 authorized the construction of market buildings. The present market was opened for business in 1821. When trade was at its height in the famous old market place, from 50,000 to 60,000 fish were sold daily.

Primarily the market was designed for retail trade, but as residential sections scattered away from the lower part of the city the wholesale trade came to be conducted in the stalls of those who carry on business there.

Investigation by city authorities, according to the recommendation to be made for the market's destruction, showed the market now has an assessed valuation of \$325,000. The site alone is assessed at \$420,000. From 1905 to 1910 the city's average income from the market was \$38,843. The cost of maintenance during the same period was \$12,219.33. Thus the net income was \$26,623.67. Against this, the loss to the city through not receiving taxes was \$3,416.60, together with a credit at four per cent on the average assessed valuation, amounting to \$12,000. Thus, it is estimated the city has operated the market at an annual average loss of more than \$2,000, and the Board of Aldermen probably will be asked by Mr. Mitchell to decide the fate of the old market.

BIG THROG TO HEAR PRIEST.

Many Turned Away When Father Vaughan, of London, Begins Series of Sermons in New York.

What men and women in this age on both sides of the Atlantic need to learn is the sanctity of the home and the dignity of work, according to the Rev. Bernard Vaughan, of the Farm Street Jesuit Church, London, who preached the first of a series of four sermons at high mass in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola yesterday. Special tickets were issued, but the throng was so great that many were turned away. Police guarded the doors.

Father Vaughan pictured the lowly home of Joseph, the carpenter, in Nazareth, where Jesus Christ was born, and said:

"This is the drama to which I invite the attention of the people of New York. With the sweat of his brow our Lord baptized labor and translated it from a curse to a blessing."

AVIATION MAKING HEROES.

Professor Le Braz, Here to Lecture, Says It Has Happy Effect on French People.

On board the Touraine, of the French line, which arrived here last night, was Professor Anatole Le Braz, a professor of French literature in the University of Rennes, and said to be one of the leading literary men of France. He is here to lecture in this and other large cities in this country on "The Modern Frenchman," under the auspices of the Alliance Française.

"We have a new heroism in France," he said. "Aviation has produced a peculiar but happy mental effect upon the nation and is developing a race of heroic men."

Professor Le Braz has been in this country before. He said the American women were the most interesting women he ever met. "I believe women should vote," he said, "because this is the age of women."

Bizarre dancing has captured New York. It affords material for a timely and novel article in next Sunday's NEW YORK HERALD.

WALKS ACROSS HUDSON.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Sunday.—For the first time this winter the Hudson River was frozen over at Tarrytown to-day. James Fay tried the ice and then was on his way across, eager to be the first of the season. In the middle he found the ice very weak. On reaching the opposite bank he turned around and made the trip back.

The children and some of the grown-ups were chasing on John D. Rockefeller's Rensselaer, having granted permission.

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because that stretch of ice is not open to the public. Only those with permits from the Park Commissioner may go upon it. A park employee on skates kept the crowds without favored permits away from the ice.

With the air temperature 13 degrees above zero and the water at 30 degrees, George S. Dougherty, second Deputy Police, took two plunges in the surf at Coney Island. He said he had been taking the chilly baths for the last two years and did not see why he should give up the dip because he was a Police Commissioner.

Women Go Swimming.

Members of the Arctic and Polar Bear clubs, of Brooklyn, also were in the water at different times during the day. Several of them went into the water at one o'clock in the morning, while snow was falling. Before and after taking their plunge they slipped about the beach, mindful of the weather and dressed only in bathing suits and sweaters.

Harry Pausen, president of the Wallabout Marketmen's Association and a member of the Polar Bear Club, dived into the ocean at seven o'clock in the morning. When he ran from the water to the bath house his hair was frozen stiff; yet he said he did not feel cold.

Others who were not afraid were Miss Alice Maffey, of No. 124 East Thirtieth street, Brooklyn; Miss Eleanor Uehlinger, of No. 156 Bainbridge street; Miss Alma Stapleton, of No. 1204 East Nineteenth street; and Mrs. Joseph Claffey, of No. 461 Sixteenth street; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crowell, of No. 806 East Eighth street; and Miss Milna Kadenberg. In the afternoon many bathers took their whirly bath.

There was a slow rise in temperature from three o'clock in the morning until nine o'clock at night. So, the skaters and swimmers, in having a Sunday free from wind and a trifle warmer than it had been on the two previous days, considered the day a treat.

At three o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer in Herald square registered twelve degrees above zero. At nine o'clock it was thirteen, and at midday fourteen. From thereon there was a steady rise and at six o'clock in the evening the Herald thermometer showed twenty degrees. At midnight it was seventeen.

Success for Jewish Women Who Plan Religious Training. Biblical stories told in moving pictures were presented yesterday afternoon at the Republic Theatre, under the direction of the Council of Jewish Women of New York. The meeting was the first of a series of four arranged by the council for Sunday afternoon religious instruction, and it attracted an audience which crowded the theatre.

Yesterday's Fires.

Fires reported yesterday were: 1:15 A. M., No. 24 Eldridge street; N. B. Baskin; \$25.

1:15 A. M., No. 201 East 101st street; Isaac Goldberg; \$30.

3:30 A. M., No. 9 West Ninety-ninth street; Abraham Chas. Baskin; \$25.

6:25 A. M., No. 16 Cannon street; David S. Baskin; \$25.

8:15 A. M., No. 128 West Thirty-third street; owner unknown; \$25.

8:30 A. M., Nos. 2-4 East Fifty-fifth street; John Jacob Astor; \$25.

9 A. M., Twenty-seventh street and Madison avenue; Madison Square Garden; \$25.

10:05 A. M., Nos. 75-76 McCombs avenue; George Huck; \$30.

10:35 A. M., No. 156 Bleeker street; Baskin; \$25.

11:30 A. M., No. 25 Washington street; Walter Burke; \$25.

12:10 P. M., No. 320 East 115th street; Schinass Brothers; \$25.

12:15 P. M., No. 23 King street; owner unknown; \$25.

12:30 P. M., No. 87 East 113th street; Abraham Chas. Baskin; \$25.

12:50 P. M., No. 1109 Park avenue; J. Dorney; no damage.

1:40 P. M., No. 58 Montgomery street; William Levy; \$25.

1:40 P. M., Pier 28, East River; Curtis-Blaedel Company; \$100.

1:55 P. M., No. 244 Lexington avenue; J. Baskin; \$25.

2:15 P. M., No. 568 and 570 Prospect avenue; S. Fakiorowitz; \$1500.

2:30 P. M., No. 302 East 119th street; Joseph Ginsberg; \$25.

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4:15 P. M., No. 265 West Forty-third street; E. Bennett; \$25.

4:20 P. M., No. 67 Light street; Lizzie Jearls; \$25.

4:30 P. M., No. 24 East 11st street; Dominio de Drasso; \$25.

4:45 P. M., No. 325 East Thirty-sixth street; John Kellridge; \$25.

4:50 P. M., No. 2 Roosevelt street; Cowperthwaite; \$25.

5:10 P. M., No. 13 Avenue A; Fred Wendel; \$25.

5:45 P. M., No. 465 Brook avenue; Meyer Boms; \$25.

6:15 P. M., No. 130 Second street; Frank Gotthard; \$25.

6:30 P. M., No. 1,255 Washington avenue; owner unknown; \$25.

6:40 P. M., No. 137 East Thirty-eighth street; M. Gallagher; \$25.

6:45 P. M., No. 234 Columbus avenue; Panholst & Co.; \$25.

7 P. M., No. 156 East Forty-eighth street; Edward Faulstich; \$25.

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